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**CALEB CUSHING.**—Mr. Cushing is about seventy-four years of age, and his whole life has been devoted to politics and diplomacy of a secret and intriguing kind. He is a man of education, a graduate of Harvard, a clever lawyer, has served in the Massachusetts House and Senate, and was four successive terms in Congress; was nominated by Tyler as Secretary of the Treasury, was sent as Commissioner to China to negotiate the first treaty between that country and the United States, served in the Mexican war, and was made a Brigadier General by Polk; was made Justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Court in 1851, and Attorney General of the United States by Pierce in 1855; was President of the Democratic nominating convention at Charleston in 1860, and since that time he has been acting as a Government "advisor" at Washington in all cases of difficulty. The part he took in the Alabama affair is so recent as to be in everybody's mind. As a convert to many political errors he earned great unpopularity in Massachusetts quite early in life. He belongs to the elder period of American politics—the period of the Marcy and Benton and Masses; and as he has some of the positive qualifications which education and training give (among other things, he can even speak Spanish), the news "sounds," the world observes, "like stories from the land of spirits." How well fitted Mr. Cushing may be for the higher sort of diplomatic duty remains to be seen. His recent affair with Lord (Chief Justice Cockburn) is not reassuring in that regard. But there can be no doubt of his ability to be of service in troubled waters.—*N. Y. Nation.*

**AMERICAN RAILROADS.**—The Railway Monitor looks upon the United States railroad mileage at 15,564 miles, with second track and sidings of 15,512 miles, making a total of single track of 31,076 miles. Locomotives, 14,223; passenger train cars, including baggage, express and smoking cars, 13,725; freight train cars of all sorts, 338,427; total capital stock, \$2,072,251,954, or about \$28,956 per mile; total floating and funded debt, \$1,999,741,597, or \$27,957 per mile; total cost of railroads and equipments \$3,728,416,958, or \$52,099 per mile. Total gross traffic of railroads for latest year obtainable was \$478,885,597, and total net receipts over and above operating expenses, \$174,350,913. These earnings are based on 54,454 miles of road, that being the total for which earnings are reported, and hence the net income of railroads applicable to the payment of interest and dividends amounted to about \$3,201 per mile on the 54,454 miles operated. The renewal of confidence in all business circles, and the disappearance of the worst phases, financially, of the late panic, has had an effect for the better on the rail and iron market. A more cheerful feeling all around is to be noticed, and prognostications of a good business for 1874 are reiterated.

**MURDER OF A MASON.**—As heretofore stated in the Gazette, Nathaniel French, a prominent Mason, of Nassau, N. Y., who has been missing since his arrival in New York, six months ago, investigation shows was brutally beaten and robbed within twenty-four hours after his arrival; that he was taken to Bellevue Hospital, where he died, and the body, being unrecognized and unclaimed, was buried in Potter's field.

The mysterious death and burial of Mr. French has created considerable excitement among Free Masons of New York and Brooklyn. Members of the Free Masons' Club held a meeting and various plans were considered as to what course should be adopted to trace out, if possible, who the murderers are and the place where it was committed. It was finally decided to refer the whole matter to Grand Master Fox, and to follow his advice as to the course to be adopted. Detectives are working up the case, and it is said, will soon be able to throw some light on the subject. The body of Mr. French will be taken from Potter's field and decently buried in Greenwood cemetery.

**CHARLESTON.**—Poor dead Charleston! Eight years have passed since the war, and the city lies in ashes, ruins and desolation. A United States officer calling upon us says: "On the place has improved wonderfully this year. I really think they have spent as much as \$10 for paint!" He also tells us that, not long since, the officers stationed at the garrison gave a ball and invited Charleston, supposing, in the innocence of their hearts, that peace was established. Charleston hesitated; but it was a long time since Charleston had seen a ball. So it compromised, attended, and drew such a line of demarcation that in half an hour all the officers and their families were on one side of the line while Charleston danced on the other. The aristocratic quarter of the city is along the Battery, facing the harbor. Here are stately old residences; but they are shut up, or appear so, out of repair, and, in some instances, bear the marks of our bomb shells.—*Cleveland Herald.*

**WILD HORSES OF THE WEST.**—[From the Topka Commonwealth.]—Large numbers of wild horses abound on the prairies between the Arkansas and Smoky Hill rivers. They are of all sizes and colors, and are the wildest of all wild animals. They usually roam in bands of from six to twenty, and will run at sight of a man two miles away. A great many domestic horses as well as mules which have strayed away from their owners have taken up with the wild ones. After running with them for awhile they become as wild as their untamed companions. Various methods have been adopted to capture these aboriginal horses, but they have generally proved fruitless. A scrubby colt or a broken-down mule is as a general thing the only reward for all the time, labor, and expense in such visionary schemes.

**STATUARY AT THE CAPITOL.**—The State of Rhode Island has given to the Federal Government two granite pedestals upon which the statues of Roger Williams and General Green, presented by that State, and now in the old hall of the House, will be placed. These pedestals arrived here yesterday, and the statues will be put upon them immediately. The statues of General Kearney and Commodore Stockton, to be contributed by the State of New Jersey, are nearly finished, and will soon be forwarded.—*Wash. Chronicle.*

**PARIS DUEL.**—At least one Paris duel has ended well. The duellists met, the one fired his pistol, the other quietly lowered his pistol. "Tell me what you are thinking about before I send you out of the world?" "I was thinking," was the reply, "that if I were in your place I wouldn't fire." His antagonist laughed, and that was the end of it.

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**JOHN HAWTHURST,**  
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BILLS cut to order and delivered per Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railway. Has just set a Mill in a fresh piece of timber, of which a considerable portion is white oak, of fine quality, much of it suitable for planing vessels. Also Yellow Pine, Red Oak and Hickory. Can furnish Bills promptly, and solicits a portion of the public patronage. Orders may be left at our wood yard, corner of Duke and Union streets, where my son is offering SAWED and SPLIT WOOD for sale at reasonable prices. Postoffice box 590, Alexandria, Va. aug 11-3m

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**BOYD M. SMITH.**

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Dealers in HARDWARE, CUTLERY

Carpenters' Tools, Doors, Sash, Blinds, Door and Window Frames, Brackets, Mouldings, Balusters, of different patterns, and Newel Posts. A large stock of French and American Glass, double and single thick, of all sizes. Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Paint and White Wash Brushes, Lewis' Pure White Lead, and other brands of fine quality. Putty, Turpentine and Machine Oil. Also, Lime, of superior quality, Cement, Calced Plaster, Pitch and Felt for Roofing, &c. A large stock of Pugh's celebrated Car Augers, and other articles found in first class Builders' Furnishing establishments.

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**JAMES H. DEVAUGHN,**

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**FURNITURE,**

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Looking Glasses,

Hair, Cotton Top

and Husk Mattresses,

kept constantly on hand and made to order at

reasonable prices.

In order to secure prompt attention orders

should be addressed to

**JAMES H. DEVAUGHN,**

my 18-4f

**WM. H. MUIR & SON,**

Manufacturers of

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A large and fine stock always on hand. Jan 26

**STEPHEN A. GREEN.** **JAMES K. GREEN.**

**GREEN & BROS.,**

Steam Furniture Works & Saw Mill,

ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Having fitted up our factory with the latest

and most approved machinery, we are prepared

to furnish all kinds of HOUSE, OFFICE and

SCHOOL FURNITURE at the very lowest

rates; and are also prepared to do all kinds of

SAWING and TURNING, MOULDING

PLANING and CARVING in our line.

We take in exchange for the Furniture, Walnut,

Maple, Oak, Birch and Cedar Logs, &c. &c.

Jan 8-4f

## NOTICE TO CITY TAX-PAYERS.

The attention of city tax-payers is respectfully

called to sections 5 and 6 of the Revenue bill of

1873, which are as follows:

Section 5. The Collectors shall make a list of

all personal tax bills due and unpaid on the 1st

of December, 1873, and shall cause the same to

be printed and posted up at conspicuous places

in the several wards of the city.

Section 6. The City Collectors shall, on or before

the 5th day of January, 1874, return to the

Auditor a list of all delinquent tax bills in their

hands which there is no personal property to

satisfy and which yet constitute a lien on real

estate, and shall, after having given twenty days'

notice of the time and place of sale, proceed to

sell the same, or so much thereof as may be necessary

for the payment of said taxes, as provided

in the city charter.

J. T. HILL, Col. North Dist.

dec 4-1m

**S. K. FIELD, Col. South Dist.**

## REMOVAL.

**V. BECKER**

Has removed to the new and handsome store,

**No. 112 KING STREET.**

[Next door to the Marshall House.]

Where he will continue to sell all kinds of MUSICAL

INSTRUMENTS, including PIANOS, ORGANS, VIOLINS, GUITARS, BANJOES, &c. &c.

**SHEET MUSIC, VIOLIN and GUITAR**

**STRINGS.** Look for the sign of the "Big Violin."

See 25-

**FRESH TEAS.** A full line of fresh Teas, fine

and medium grades, received this day.

Now is the time to buy at low figures.

**GEO. MCBURNEY & SON,**

dec 23

106 and 170 King street.

## FANCY GOODS AND NOTIONS.

**BARGAINS**

—AT—

**GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE,**

76 KING STREET.

ALL

**WINTER GOODS**

AT

**REDUCED PRICES.**

**JANUARY 1, 1874.**

In accordance with my usual custom, all

WINTER GOODS have this day been marked

down at CLEARING OUT FIGURES, and a

favorable opportunity is presented to purchasers

to secure

## REAL BARGAINS

in the following goods, many of which were purchased

a few weeks since at less than the cost of

production:

**LADIES' and CHILDREN'S**

**MERINO HOSIERY.**

**LADIES' GENTS' and CHILDREN'S**

**MERINO UNDERWEAR.**

**WORSTED SHAWLS, SCARFS, NUBIAS,**

**HOODS, CAPS, &c., &c.**

**GLOVES! GLOVES! GLOVES!**

Bargains extraordinary in Gloves, of every

description, for Ladies, Gents and Children,

comprising as great a variety of choice Gloves

as can be found in any city.

There are many goods too numerous to mention

embraced in the reduction so as to make

room for a splendid stock of

## SPRING GOODS

the advance orders for which will begin to arrive

early in February.

I heroby tender grateful acknowledgments to

my many customers for their liberal patronage,

and pledge myself to make every effort to carry

a stock of goods that will do credit to the State

of Virginia, and serve to concentrate a trade in

our city that will be advantageous to both buyer

and seller.

## CHARLES W. GREEN.

68 KING STREET.

Jan 1-400f

## WOOD AND COAL.

**COAL!** **COAL!** **COAL!**

We have now on hand and are constantly receiving

at our wharf and storage yards, foot of

Queen streets, all the best COALS known to

this market. We name in part:

**LYKEN'S VALLEY.**

**SHAMOKIN and EAST FRANKLIN LOR-**

**BERRY RED ASH.**

**JOHN'S, from EAGLE VEIN COLLIERY.**

The celebrated CONTINENTAL and HAZEL

DELL, from the Goodrich Colliery, estimated

the best in the market.

And LEE and STANTON WHITE ASH

ANTHRACITE COAL, of Steamers, Broken,

Egg stone and Nut sizes.

Also, GEORGE'S CREEK CUMBERLAND